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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Tony Gallegos, Reclamation Engineer *aa*

RE: Site Inspection, Energy Fuels Company, MiVida Mine, M/037/028, San Juan County, Utah

Date of Inspection: May 6, 1998
Time of Inspection: 1120 - 1220
Conditions: Overcast, drizzly, cold
Participants: Dave Donnelly, AMR; Wayne Hedberg, Tony Gallegos, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To examine the reclaimed site while in the area.

This area was accessed by taking the road from Lisbon Valley. The inspection began at the upper mine area. In the upper area, the backfilled shaft site has subsided creating a hole approximately 12 feet in diameter and 6-8 feet deep. Photographs were taken of the sink hole at the shaft.

The next area examined was the upper dump area. The revegetation on the upper dump area seems to be doing well. The drainage channel in this upper dump continues to erode, but has not yet become a problem. Photos were taken looking across this dump slope toward the main county road and also looking down the eroded drainage channel. Additional photos were taken looking up the channel toward the upper dump. The backfilled adit in the upper site was stable with no erosional problems evident.

We continued down through the site to the McCormick tunnel area. The vegetation on the reclaimed access road to the McCormick tunnel is doing well. Three different plant species were present on the road area. The channel in the middle area between the upper area and the McCormick tunnel continues to erode. This channel has not yet reached a state of equilibrium. The side slopes of the reclaimed access road are showing some signs of erosion. The vegetation success on the dump top at the McCormick tunnel is very good near the portal face and poor on the rest of the dump top. The best vegetation appears to be where there are some topsoils that have been furrowed or left in a roughened condition. The McCormick portal appears to be stable and the backfill is still in place. Warning signs are still in place at the portal and the ore bins. The outslope of the McCormick dump continues to erode. There is virtually no vegetation on the outslope of this dump. Some sections of the dump slope are considerably steep. Photographs were taken of the various features at the mine site.



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